

**REMARKS**

The applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended with respect to the granting of an interview on March 19, 2008. Pursuant to those discussions, the applicant hereby cancels the previously submitted claims and hereby presents for consideration one new independent claim and one new dependent claim.


The applicant is ready and willing to submit a Terminal Disclaimer drawn to U.S. Patent No. 6,154,544 should the Examiner believe that to be necessary.

The Examiner is expressly invited to contact the applicant's representative to discuss any concerns the Examiner may have with respect to the allowability of these two claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required with respect to this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully submitted,  
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